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ABSTRACT

A method for banding stacked, soft and/or fragile products to be packed, using a wrapping machine. The unwound band is guided around the product to be packed, pulled by a reverse movement onto the product to be packed, then stuck or welded, and cut. A pre-selection loop of the band is pulled back by the reverse movement, by an electronic control system, to a pre-selected length of loop (L). The method can be used to band soft and/or fragile products in a fully automatic manner, economically satisfying the highest requirements.